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Susan Wong
City of Los Angeles
200 N. Spring Street Room 667
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Mello Act Ordinance – Negative Declaration
(ND)
SCH # 2021020124
GTS # 07-LA-2021-03493
Vic. LA-1/PM: 37.06, LA-110/PM: 3.417

Dear Susan Wong:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced ND. The proposed Project would address the establishment of the Coastal Zone Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the purposes of collecting in lieu fees and expending funds to create additional affordable housing units. The Project will adopt permanent local regulations, process, and project review requirements in the Los Angeles Municipal Code that will replace the existing Interim Administrative Procedures for projects that result in demolition, loss, or conversion of Residential Units in the Coastal Zone. The project area includes three coastal sub-zones and does not propose or approve any development or construction. The City of Los Angeles is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The project is located adjacent to sections of State Route 1 (SR-1), Interstate 110 (I-110), and State Route 47 (SR-47) in Los Angeles County.

From reviewing the ND, Caltrans concurs with the following: "No Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) would be generated from the Project that would otherwise occur from any new development since no development project is approved or proposed as part of the Project." Thus, VMT impacts would be less than significant.

Therefore, the following information is included for your consideration.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. Furthermore, Caltrans encourages Lead Agencies to implement Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies that reduce VMT and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. For more TDM options, please refer to:

- The 2010 *Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Measures* report by the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA), available at <http://www.capcoa.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/CAPCOA-Quantification-Report-9-14-Final.pdf>, or
- *Integrating Demand Management into the Transportation Planning Process: A Desk Reference* (Chapter 8) by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), available at

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<https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/fhwahop12035/index.htm>.

If you have any questions about these comments, please contact Mayra Jimon, the project coordinator, at Mayra.Jimon@dot.ca.gov, and refer to GTS # 07-LA-2021-03493.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Miya Edmonson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MIYA EDMONSON
IGR/CEQA Branch Chief
cc: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse